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Summer Comes to State—Again

Enjoying the recent spell of warm weather were some of the 3,000 students enrolled in this year's summer session at San Francisco State college. Note the drooping palm tree in the background—an example of this week's heat wave which rose to a high of 74 degrees last Tuesday.

Summer Enrollment Reaches 3,689 Here

Summer session enrollment has been on the decline since 1950. Statistics released by Dean Leo Cain yesterday show a drop in enrollment of nearly 200 students as compared with last year's figures. Currently, 3,689 students are located at the college; last year, 3,864 were in attendance here. In 1950, 4,152 were enrolled. Veteran enrollmnt this summer is 711.

Off-campus enrollment now stands at 600, comparing favorably with that of last year.

Heaviest enrollment this summer has occurred in the areas of education and education administration, and in the college's programs for elementary and special education. Courses in semantics and in the handling of gifted children have also recorded high enrollment figures.

GATER POSTS OPEN

Students interested in joining the Golden Gater summer staff should contact the editor in Anderson Hall, room 3.

The positions of circulation manager and staff photographer, in addition to several reportorial posts, remain to be filled. Make-up assistants, feature writers, and copy readers are also needed.

Actors, Artists Take Part in TV Workshops

Bay area television artists, directors, and writers are assisting in the training of local school teachers and administrators in the use of television in education in a six weeks' television workshop now being conducted at San Francisco State College.

The course is under the direction of Dr. J. Fenton McKenna and will feature daily lectures on aspects of educational television programming by members of the television industry. The workshop will include a visit to the three local stations.

Dr. Tom Groody, well known for his science programs, is participating as consultant and lecturer. Blue Wright, Russ Baker, Ed Smith, and Evangeline Baker from KGO-TV will lecture on station management, directing, staging and costuming. The use of TV by schools will be discussed by Dr. Vaughn Seidel, head of the newly-formed Bay Area Educational Television Association. Staff members, headed by Hugh Smith from KPIX, will present the viewpoint of industry on educational television. Ed Dolan from KRON-TV will lecture on rehearsal problems. Additional lectures are to be given by Mr. Larry Smith, director of TV programming for the Alameda County schools; William Goggin, television instructor, U.C.L.A.; William Dempsey, Director of Radio, San Francisco State College; and Ken Dragoo, manager of KALW.

Weekly panel discussions, with guest lecturers as participants, will feature problems facing the educator in television programming. In recognition of this cooperative program, Dr. McKenna stated: "The television industry should be congratulated for making this contribution of their time and talents. This workshop is certainly a step towards the development of an effective means of mass communication and education."

September Inauguration for New Orientation Program

A new freshman and new student orientation plan will be inaugurated this September when the Freshman Orientation camp gets under way.

The new plan, suggested by Alan Johnson, dean of men, and passed by the Board of Directors last March, is designed to coördinate all activities and student participation connected with the orientation of new students.

Frosh camp, abandoned last semester because of insufficient response, will this year be under the direction of Alan Henderson. Both men and women students will be asked to participate in the camp, to be held at Asilomar-by-the-Sea, September 7 to 9.

A maximum of 100 freshman applications will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. If the limit is not reached, the camp will be open to high freshmen as well. The fee will be $20.

On-campus orientation and registration are also part of the new plan for familiarizing newcomers with the college.

REVISED Schedule of Tests to Be Administered During Summer Session

Credential Candidates:

(General Secondary Credential)

		ROOM NO.	
General Culture Test—			
Wednesday, July 9	1:00-4:00 P.M.	A207	A213
Hygiene Test—			
Wednesday, July 9	4:00-5:00 P.M.	A207	A213
Reading Test—			
Thursday, July 10	1:00-2:30 P.M.	A207	A213
Writing Test—			
Thursday, July 10	2:30-5:00 P.M.	AB2	

M.A. Candidates Comprehensive Examinations:

Education Majors—			
Saturday, July 12	9:00-12:00 Noon	A110	AB2
		A125	
	1:00-2:30 P.M.	A210	A110
		A125	A123
		AB2	

All Candidates for an A.B. or B.E. Degree and/or Credential from a State College:

Must take either required course in or pass comprehensive examination in:

U. S. History and Constitution—			
Thursday, July 17	4:00-6:00 P.M.	A110	

All Candidates for an A.B. or B.E. Degree:

Must take either required course in or pass comprehensive examination in:

California State and Local Government—			
Thursday, July 17	4:00-5:00 P.M.	AB2	
	5:00-6:00 P.M.	AB2	

Grade Averages Being Computed For Draft Boards

Grade point averages and class ranking of students registered under the selective service are currently being computed by the office of the dean of men. These, together with SS forms 109, will be forwarded to local draft boards within the next two weeks.

A student who is now completing his academic year and wishes to return to college this summer or next fall must give notice in writing to his local board that he is eligible and wishes to continue his student deferment status for another year. He must also state in writing to his local board that he has requested the appropriate official of his college to send to the board as promptly as possible his selective service form 109.

Social Calendar

Today—Student-faculty coffee hour, 12 to 1 p.m. in the Activities room. Education division host for the day.

Tomorrow—HOLIDAY.

Monday, July 7—Evening lecture, 8 p.m., Frederic Burk auditorium. Dr. Harold C. Bradley, noted authority on the Sierras, lecturer. Movie and talk on "Winter in the High Country."

Tuesday, July 8—Noon lecture, 12 to 1 p.m., Little Theater, AA12. "Cousin Henry," Schenkofsky, Poet of the Pacific, in an original poetry recital.

Tour of television station KPIX, 1 p.m. Guests on Del Courtney show (last chance to sign up today).

Recreation night, new campus gym, 7 to 9 p.m. Swimming, volleyball, badminton, folk dancing.

Volunteers Needed for Civil Defense Unit

California needs 65,000 plane spotters to fill the gap in our air defense left by the limitations of radar, it was disclosed at Hamilton field Wednesday.

At a joint meeting of the 28th Air division chiefs and civil defense directors, Major General Walter M. Robertson, state director of civil defense, warned: "We do not know when the Soviets might attack, so we must be ready for them. Our radar equipment is limited when it comes to low altitude detection—that is why the Ground Observer corps must have thousands of volunteers now if the State of California is to survive enemy air attack."

Purpose of the all day Air Force Civil Defense conference was to discuss plans for the forthcoming 24 hour around-the-clock activation of the Ground Observers corps on July 14. County-wide coördinators of the Ground Observer corps were also in attendance at the meeting.

"FAR FROM ADEQUATE"

According to Colonel Harry M. Pike, commander of the 28th Air division, only 2,535 volunteers have enrolled for staffing of 148 stations along the Northern California coast. "This," he states, "is far from adequate, since at least 90 volunteers are required for each post, for a minimum of 13,320."

Colonel Pike stated that the radar network along the coast is complete, but that radar "cannot see through mountains or around curves. It is like TV—line of sight only."

"The Soviets," Colonel Pike points out, "also has radar equipment and knows its limitations as well as we—it would be only common sense for the Soviet to do everything in its power to escape our radar detection. Thus it is probable that if the California coast-line were to be attacked, planes coming in would choose low altitudes. This is where a strong Ground Observer corps would plug up our gaps in Air Defense and give us the detection vital to our security."

QUALIFICATIONS LISTED

Asked what were the qualifications for a Ground Observer volunteer, the Air Force chief stated: "A pair of good eyes, a voice to tell his report over the telephone, and a deep feeling of patriotism."

General Robertson, as state civil defense director, pledged full support to the Air Force, and termed the new 24 hour "Skywatch" operation "an essential preparedness measure to the safety of the United States."

Volunteers for the Ground Observer corps were asked by Air Force and civil defense Chiefs to enlist at once with their local civil defense organizations.

EDITORIAL

Government Disregards Constitution

The much-abused Johns Hopkins University professor, Owen Lattimore, has survived another slanderous ordeal. The recent "unusual" order issued by the State Department barring the far eastern expert from leaving the country has been revoked and apologies have been extended.

There are those who point to the incident and say that the rights of an individual have been upheld, but an analysis of the situation reveals that conditions which make it possible for a citizen to be denied his rights are still existent.

The State Department revoked its travel ban **only after** a Seattle newspaper had reported that the basis for the ban, a report that Lattimore was intending a trip behind the Iron Curtain, had been faked. **Only then** did the Department act. Subsequent investigation substantiated the newspaper story and the ban on the oft-accused professor was lifted. The incident was resolved and a citizen's rights upheld upon the initiative of the press, **not** the government. The latter was content to assume Lattimore's guilt upon accusation. The professor was never confronted with the evidence in the case or his accuser.

And now, Dr. Linus Pauling, the world-renowned scientist working at the California Institute of Technology, has been refused a passport to travel abroad. The State Department has explained its action only by stating that Dr. Pauling's proposed visits to European scientific conferences "are not in the best interests of the United States."

Protests from leading world scientists, including several Nobel Prize winners, have been lodged with Secretary of State Dean Acheson, but no action has been taken. Pauling remains a citizen without passport.

It is assumed in the press that the government's case is based upon the doctor's refusal to subscribe to the University of California's loyalty oath. He has since signed an affidavit stating "he is not and has never been a Communist." This, apparently, has not modified the governmental attitude towards him. He is denied specific rights of citizenship because of suspicion. The government has no legal case against him.

This dangerous trend in government of disregarding the constitutional rights of citizens must be checked. It is not "in the best interests of the United States." The precepts on which this nation is founded have made it great. There is little reason to believe that a change is needed at this time.

Reorganized Counseling System Announced Here

Reorganization of the Committee on Advising and Registration was announced this week by the office of the dean of men. Under its new format the group will be called the Committee on Advising and will consist of one faculty member from each division of the college who will serve as representative to the committee.

The group formerly consisted of approximately 40 general education advisers and 100 major and minor advisers from the divisions within the college. Under the recently approved change, the size of the group will be cut since one person will be representing an entire division. As a smaller unit, the group will aim for more effective training of advisers, improvement of advising techniques, and greater concentration on policy and procedural matters.

COMMITTEE WORK

Division representatives to the committee will assist in analyzing the advising process and making recommendations for changes or improvements in overall policy relative to the advising program; assist in making known new policies, after they have been set, to advisers in their divisions through division meetings or individual work with advisers; secure information from advisers within their divisions concerning procedural difficulties and work with the office of the dean of men to solve those difficulties; and work with advisers in the division to insure compliance with set procedures.

Representatives will also assist the dean's office in planning programs of adviser training to increase the advisers' effectiveness in dealing with students; represent the interests of the division in planning and carrying out that part of registration procedure having to do with advising, program making and approval; assist division chairman and the dean's office in the selection of advising personnel; supply information to division chairmen concerning degree of excellence of advisers in performance of their duties, such information to be used as one basis for recommending promotions; and take over functions, including approval of course requirements, etc., currently performed by key advisers.

"BETTER ADVISING"

According to Alan Johnson, dean of men, "I am sure that the reorganization of the advising system . . . will make for better policies and procedures, better training of advisers, better advising, and, inevitably, better advised students . . ."

Art Commission's Summer Festival Begins on July 29

The San Francisco Art commission's summer music festival, beginning this year on July 29 at the San Francisco Civic auditorium, will feature nine concerts by the San Francisco Symphony orchestra conducted by Arthur Fiedler.

The first concert will star Lucine Amara, San Francisco soprano and Metropolitan opera star in dramatic arias, "Pace Pace Mio Dio" from "La Forza del Destino" by Verdi, and "Vio la Sapate" from "Cavalleria Rustincana" by Mascagni.

The second concert on July 31 will be the debut of pianist Le Roy Miller, playing the Grieg Concerto.

VIOLIN PRODIGY

On August 9, Jaimo Larego, violin prodigy, will do the "Rondo Capriccioso" by Saint-Saens.

The fourth concert, on August 12, features Sylvia Jenkins playing the popular Tschaikowsky piano concerto No. 1. Succeeding concerts will be the debuts of pianist Dorothy Franklin, Stanley Noonan, baritone, and Carol Palangi, basso.

Fiedler is planning programs ranging from Bach to Anderson's "Fiddle-Faddle," and including works which received the highest number of requests at last year's concert. These will include Ravel's "Bolero" and Richard Strauss' "Waltzes from Rosenkavalier."

VIENNESE GARDEN

The lower floor of Civic auditorium will be transformed into a replica of a Viennese garden, including candlelit tables and the serving of refreshments.

Seats will sell for 30c to $1.50, and reserved seats at tables, including refreshments, will be priced at $2.30. Tickets are on sale at the Sherman Clay box office.

SCHEDULE SET FOR NEW CAMPUS BUS

A tentative bus schedule to and from the new campus has been announced by the summer session office.

Buses will leave the old campus at Laguna and Herman streets at the following times: 9:10 a.m., 10:10 a.m., 11:10 a.m., 1:10 p.m., 2:10 p.m., 3:10 p.m., and 4:10 p.m.

Buses will leave the new campus from 19th Avenue at the following times: 9:35 a.m., 10:35 a.m., 12:35 p.m., 1:35 p.m., 2:35 p.m., and 3:35 p.m.

Students must provide their own transportation to the first morning class on the new campus. Standees are not permitted on any school bus.

Adjustments in bus schedules will be made as need arises.

The executive committee of the Sigmund Stern Grove Music Festival association last week released the following schedule of presentations to be given in the "music wonderland" at 19th avenue and Sloat boulevard this summer:

July 6—Sixth Army band concert.

July 13—Orchestral concert.

July 20—Pirates of Penzance, opera.

July 27—Die Fledermaus, opera.

August 3 — Gershwin orchestral concert.

August 10——Oscar Tarriba and Alberto Romero with Mexican dancers.

August 17—Symphonic concert.

August 24—Vocal operatic selections.

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August 31—San Francisco Ballet.

September 7—The Gondoliers, opera.

September 14 — San Francisco Ballet.

September 21 — Lola Montes Dancers.

Dr. Bradley Lectures Here Monday

The summer lecture series gets into full swing next week, with three lectures on the first four days.

On Monday, Dr. Harold C. Bradley, noted authority on the Sierras, will speak and show a movie on "Winter in the High Country." Dr. Bradley took the films when he and his family were snow-bound for a winter in the Sierras.

The lecture is scheduled for 8 p. m. in Frederic Burk auditorium. All lectures are free to students and faculty of S. F. State.

A noon lecture Tuesday will feature "Cousin Henry" Schenkofsky, Poet of the Pacific, in an original poetry recital. The recital will be given from 12 to 1 p. m. in the Little Theatre, AA12.

GROUP BEHAVIOR

Thursday's lecture, set for 12 to 1 p. m. at Everett, will feature Hilda Taba, authority on group behavior, speaking on "Human Relations in the Classroom."

Some disappointment had been expressed by student leaders at the comparatively small turnout at the first lecture, which featured Dr. Monroe E. Deutsch of the University of California. Sixty-five persons attended.

Bert Phillips, commissioner of activites, expressed the hope that the poori turnout was due to the fact that many students were new in San Francisco and were getting adjusted, and not that they lacked interest.

COMPARATIVE FIGURES

"When a speaker like Deutsch speaks to only 65 students at State after addressing 28,000 at the University of California, it means something," Bert said. "Maybe it's lack of spirit. I hope not."

Bert added that if the lecture series is successful now, chances are good that a comparable series will be conducted during regular session.

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Korean War Veterans to Receive Medical Treatment While Government Studies Claims

The Veterans Administration announced last week that post-Korea veterans who need out-patient treatment for disabilities that are presumed to have resulted from their service will be provided needed treatment until the VA can determine whether their disabilities actually are service-connected. This procedure is designed to prevent any delay in furnishing treatment for such veterans.

Under existing regulations, outpatient treatment may be given only for service-connected disabilities after the VA has determined that the disabilities actually are service-connected and then has authorized the treatment.

The change to permit treatment for presumed service-connected disabilities before final determination has been made applies only to veterans who served in the active U. S. military or naval forces any place in the world on or after June 27, 1950, the start of the Korean hostilities. These post-Korea veterans must also have been discharged or released from such service under conditions other than dishonorable, or have been retired.

One other requirement applies to post-Korea veterans who are retired for disability and are receiving disability pay from the armed forces. They must first elect to take compensation from the VA before their disabilities can be presumed to be service-connected for VA outpatient treatment.

Post-Korea veterans who meet these requirements may be provided needed outpatient treatment either for dental or medical disabilities presumed to have been incurred in or aggravated by service. While these treatments are being given, the VA will determine if the disabilities actually are service-connected.

Where the VA later finds that disabilities are not service-connected, outpatient treatment will be discontinued from that date; but, where the VA finds that the disabilities actually are service-connected, outpatient treatment will be continued and the veterans, if sufficiently disabled, will receive VA compensation for the degree of their disabilities.

To be eligible for dental outpatient treatment under these conditions, a post-Korea veteran must file his application within 12 months from the date of his discharge or release from a period of 6 months or more of active service that has been terminated on or after June 27, 1950.

Unless the application is otherwise disproved by the VA, it will be approved on the basis of prima facie eligibility for the treatment of dental disabilities shown by examination or other evidence to have existed within a year from the date of discharge or release. However, the replacement of missing teeth will be authorized only as may be necessary for the correction of defects for which service-connection already has been established.

For medical outpatient treatment of all other disabilities except active psychosis, active tuberculosis and multiple sclerosis, the disabilities may be presumed to be service-connected within one year from the veteran's discharge or release from active service on or after June 27, 1950.

Off Campus Branches for SFSC Library

During summer session, San Francisco State College offers library service to off-and-on campus students.

The library is basically a service organization which offers not only educational books and novels, but also magazines, government documents, pamphlets, courses of study, units of work, elementary and secondary texts and commercial texts. Closely related to the library is a film service which provides audio-visual materials, equipment, and films for classes.

For the convenience of students who are attending the various off-campus summer sessions, branches of the education library have been installed in the immediate vicinity of Concord unified school, Modesto and Santa Rosa Junior colleges, and Everett Junior High school. The latter, under the supervision of Miss Low, is equipped with a children's room in addition to the education library.

It has been noted that the education library is used to a greater extent during the summer session than during the regular session, because, according to Miss McWilliam, who is in charge of the education library here, the majority of workshops and classes are in the field of education and are attended by qualified teachers and education majors who are oriented to the use and value of the library.

New Literary 'Mag' Discussed for State

Tentative plans for the creation of a college literary magazine on the order of "Inklings" were announced by Mr. Myron Pollack, instructor in the Language Arts division, at a recent Board of Publications meeting.

Mr. Pollack stated that there was a definite need for a literary magazine on the campus. The "Inklings," the former creative writing magazine on campus, was discontinued in 1950 because of financial reverses.

According to Mr. Pollock, the staff for the magazine would come from ative writing. This program is being the General Education class in creworked out at the present time. The proposed publication would include short stories, critical material on literature, and poetry. Approximately 1,000 copies would be published twice yearly at an estimated cost of $350 to $400.

GRANT'S TOME

By HAL GRANT

During the last few days your reporter has heard various comments on the Sugar Ray Robinson-Joey Maxim light heavyweight title bout held last week in Yankee Stadium.

Most of the comments, however, were very derogatory to Maxim. Many people even went so far as to say that Joey didnt even belong in the same ring with Sugar Ray. They said that Maxim's victory was a fluke.

It is our humble opinion that, although Robinson was way ahead on rounds, 9-3-1 to be exact, Maxim won the contest fairly and squarely.

After all, do not durability and endurance play an important part in the sport of boxing? We think so. Whatever the conditions, Maxim outlasted Robinson and we think that Joey is entitled to a great deal of credit for that. After all, it may have been 103 degrees for Sugar Ray, but bear in mind also that it was 103 degrees for Maxim, too.

It is the general opinion of "old time" sports writers that such ring luminaries as Battling Nelson, Jim Jeffries, and Tom Sharkey would never have been champions were they limited to short bouts. Forty-round affairs in 100-degree temperatures were commonplace in those days. While endurance may be less a part of the game today, we feel that the man with the stamina should receive a little credit.

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"Irish" Pat O'Leary, former S. F. State 175-pound boxing sensation, defeated highly-touted Arthur Hughes of Oakland in a featured light heavyweight amateur match last Friday evening at the Fiesta building in San Mateo. In defeating Hughes, O'Leary won the light heavyweight crown in the Peninsula tournament which was sponsored by the Peninsula Athletic Club.

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Five-foot-eleven, blond curly hair, and an ever-present smile, would aptly describe Jim Shettler, Gator frosh track star. Jim, who came to State last year from Balboa High in San Francisco, has already proven himself an outstanding all-around athlete. Last fall he won his block in J.V. football. For most athletes this feat would have been enough for one semester, but not for our boy Jim. During the same term he also earned a block in cross-country.

This spring, under the guidance of Coach Ray Kaufman, Jim developed into an outstanding miler and two-miler. During the regular season he was only defeated once in his distance chores—at the hands of the great Allie Cage from Cal Poly.

In the post-season C.O.P. invitational, Shettler placed fourth in the eight-lap event with a good time of 9:59 amongst such classy competition as Bob McMillen from San Jose State.

It is our prognostication that Jim will break the State College two-mile record of 9:55.5 next spring, a record of sixteen years' standing. We also predict that he will break the 9:30 mark before his college career is over.

Not content with excelling in athletics at State, Jim has competed in numerous local P.A.A.U. (Pacific Amateur Athletic Union) marathon runs. He holds the Cross-City 7.9-mile 1952 marathon title, the 1951 7.5 Dipsea crown, and was runner-up in the 1952 5.5-mile Excelsior race.

Starting July 7, Jim will begin a rigorous conditioning schedule in order to prepare himself for the 1952 Mill Valley Dipsea race which will be held on Sunday, September 7.

On that date, Shettler will lead a group of State leather-lungers in an effort to capture the coveted Dipsea team trophy.

Evie Benson Subs for President Cec Riley as New Board Takes Over

With one exception, the officers presently running the Associated Students of San Francisco State college are getting their first crack at the positions voted them at the student body elections last semester.

The exception is Evie Benson, who was elected vice-president last spring. Evie is currently running things from the president's desk in the summer absence of Cec Riley, student body president.

Currently the most active of the other members of the Board of Directors is Bert Phillips, commissioner of activities. Although he is not attending summer session, Bert is busy working on the summer activities and planning for Homecoming next fall.

Candy Himes is serving as the secretary of the Associated Students. The new treasurer is Jack Anderson. As such he serves as chairman of the Board of Control, the main financial body of the A.S.S.F.S.C.

The other elected members of the Board of Directors are the members-at-large. They are Bob Frelow, Joanne Klein, Johnny Lee, Paul Coleman, Denise Moulton, and Helen Spencer.

Gray Line Offers Tour Of S. F. Night Life

Here's a San Francisco tour where you get twice your money's worth. The Gray Line night club tour offers State summer session students the chance to see double as they ride through the city at night.

Not only that, but those less adept at maneuvering vehicles after a little stimulation may leave their cars behind, as the Gray Line bus drivers—who promise they won't touch a drop—will guide you throughout the evening.

The night club tour is offered every night but Sunday for $6.95. This price includes transportation, tips, and choice of "refreshment" at each of four night spots visited.

There are two tours each evening. One is from 7:30 p. m. to 1:30 a. m., and the other is from 8:30 p. m. to 2:30 a. m.

Although the same night spots are not visited on each tour, those visited in the past have included Forbidden City, the Italian Village, Bimbo's, Hawaiian City, the Gay 90's, the Beige Room, the Hungry i, and the Black Hawk.

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FEMININE ATHLETIC FANS

Gals Go to Games Sans Guys

By Hal Grant

Today's subject for discussion will be as usual—Women (what other interesting topic is there?). As a public service (ha) we have felt compelled to make inquiries into the psychology of this strange department of the human race. So, without further ado, we will try to give our own humble explanations for the habits and moods of the female athletic fan.

First we must break the female athletic fans down into two main categories. The first is the female football fan and the second is the female basketball fan. We feel that we can classify the women spectators into only two groups because as far as the other sports here at State are concerned, the coaches are lucky to field a full team—let alone think of fans.

LONELY WOMEN

There is one principal difference between the female football fan and the female basketball fan. The gridiron enthusiasts are usually loners. They generally go to the game sans male escort, preferring either to observe in solitude or with members of their own sex. The female cage followers, on the other hand, are prolific daters. Seldom do they ever appear in the gyms without hulking male accompaniment.

We do not mean to imply that the lady football fans are a less attractive lot than their basketball sisters. The principal reason for the differentiation is that football is a game that is customarily played in the afternoon ('52 Gator schedule excepted) and only the most eager and clever male can make a practice of afternoon dating.

But what of the escort himself? What compels a gent to take his girl to a basketball game? Other than the obvious financial advantages, we can see no reason for such a practice.

WHO GAVE UP?

Long ago, we gave up escorting females to athletic events — some would say it was the females who gave up — for while a pretty young thing adds to the attractiveness of any evening, there are simply too many disadvantages in such dating.

For example, that tortuous parade in front of the stands while looking for seats during which you are forced to endure with your companion the hoots and whistles of the coarser spectators or to overhear such remarks as "Where'd that slob get a doll like that?"—it's enough to restrain us more sensitive souls.

Then there is the fact that most athletes tend to be of the tall, handsome stock which, to repeat the term, does your stock no good at all.

Also, there is that terrible habit most females have of talking. Few women have any real knowledge of sports, but they will usually voice a variety of opinions on the subject while viewing an event.

COMPLETE BOREDOM

Of course, there is the opposite viewpoint. If the girl does not speak, you feel that she is interminably bored with the game, the evening, and you. This is depressing.

In basketball the female companion is a stifling influence on every type of male fan. The hollering type who likes nothing better than to rear back and give officials, players, and coaches a violent verbal battering is stifled by the female because he is forced to exercise restraint and to keep his language clean. The growling fan who undergoes a terrible emotional experience during every game and prefers to suffer in bitter silence, broken only occasionally by a mumbled oath, is forced by the female to become cheerful and entertaining, the thing he most abhors.

The student of the game who derives untold pleasure from keeping every possible statistic is forced by the female to look up too often from his scorecard so that he loses track of his figures—to be conscious of another.

BLEACHER ACTIVITY

Then, too, if you pay too close attention to the game, you may find that the enterprising fellow to your girl's left has taken every advantage of his opportunities and left you with none. A man has to have eyes on every side of his head to keep up with the game and his date at the same time. All in all, then, we must agree that man still can't have his cake and eat it too—or some such appropriate maxim..

But what of the unescorted female basketball fan?

This type almost always has a date with one of the players. She habitually sits under the basket at the south end of the court with a group of others who are in, shall we say, the same boat. Their position at the end of the court allows them to be as far away from the boisterousness of the rooting section as possible. These fans usually sit in dignified and aloof silence in their little roost during the game but peel off like clattering jet planes in formation at the final gun. They make up a special type of fan and should be treated accordingly with only those glances which reflect respect for their unique position.

FULL EVENING

It has always seemed strange to us, though, that these people do not take advantage of their situation and allow themselves another date which would end at 10 or 10:30 p.m. In that way they could make a much fuller evening of it.

Lest anyone think that, in these investigations, we mean to insult or in any way offend womankind, let us repeat once more that we have a genuine interest in the group and seek to arrive at a fuller understanding of its members.

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